



ACWA/DWR Groundwater Management Survey

Responses requested by January 2012

The Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA) and the Department of Water Resources (DWR) are conducting a survey on groundwater management activities in California. Your assistance is requested to help make the survey data as comprehensive as possible.

Survey Purpose

- The survey is aimed at compiling information on groundwater management efforts statewide to share with policy makers and other stakeholders. This information will inform ACWA activities and the groundwater content enhancements in California Water Plan Update 2013.
- The information will also help identify areas where local groundwater management needs to be expanded and where local agencies may need assistance to develop and implement sustainable groundwater management activities.
- The details gathered through the survey on groundwater banking projects in California will provide important information for those who want to learn more about this valuable water management tool.

Regional Workshops

ACWA will be holding survey workshops in January 2012 in conjunction with DWR's Integrated Water Management Regional Forums. During the time allocated to the survey, attendees will be able to ask questions about the survey, receive an update on results, and learn more about ACWA's 2012-2013 Groundwater Framework Implementation Plan. Preliminary information on scheduled workshops is provided below (updates on times and locations will be posted on www.acwa.com):

Tulare Lake Regional Forum/ ACWA Survey Workshop

January 17, 2012, 1:00pm-4:30pm
Fresno County Farm Bureau
(and webinar to other locations)

San Joaquin River Regional Forum/ACWA Survey Workshop

January 18, 2012, 9:00am-12:30 pm
Location TBD

Sacramento River Regional Forum/ACWA Survey Workshop

January 20, 2012, 9am-12:30 pm
Redding, CA

We encourage attendance at these workshops and participation in the DWR Regional Forums. The Forums provide an opportunity for interaction and engagement with diverse interests to discuss local and regional conditions, perspectives and priorities regarding water management and planning programs. It is important for local and regional groundwater managers to be part of this process.

How to access the survey

To access the survey, please visit http://www.acwa.com/groundwater_survey or go to www.acwa.com and click on the survey button on the lower right side of the screen.

If you have questions or need additional information, please contact: Danielle Blacet, ACWA senior regulatory advocate, at danielleb@acwa.com or 916-441-4545; or Abdul Khan, Water Plan Groundwater Project Lead at akhan@water.ca.gov or 916-651-9660.